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THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA



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THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1932

AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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By ARCHBISHOP S. P. MATHESON, *Chancellor*

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1. Voluntary, by Band of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Captain T. W. James, Conductor.
2. Hymn:

O GOD OF BETHEL

O God of Bethel, by whose hand  
Thy people still are fed;  
Who through this weary pilgrimage  
Hast all our fathers led:

Our vows, our prayers, we now present  
Before Thy throne of grace;  
God of our fathers, be the God  
Of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life  
Our wandering footsteps guide;  
Give us each day our daily bread,  
And raiment fit provide.

O spread Thy covering wings around,  
Till all our wanderings cease,  
And at our Father's loved abode  
Our souls arrive in peace.

Such blessings from Thy gracious hand  
Our humble prayers implore;  
And Thou shalt be our chosen God,  
And portion evermore.

3. Address by the Honorable R. A. Hoey, Minister of Education.

4. Laying of Corner Stone:

All things being ready, the Chancellor shall say:

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen. Except the Lord build the house, their labor is but vain that build it."

Let us pray.

Our Father, etc.

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who hath built the living temple of our Christianity upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone, be pleased to bless this stone which we are about to place in the foundation of this building. Carry the construction of this edifice to a favorable completion. Give wisdom and skill to the architects who preside over it. Bless the workmen and protect them from all accidents and mishaps. Grant that those who will teach in this building may be inspired by lofty ideals and be themselves taught of Thee. Be with the students of our University who will come here to learn. May they develop not merely in knowledge and culture, which will stand them in good stead in this world, but in wisdom and character, which will fit them for their eternal destiny in the world to come. Vouchsafe that within these walls useful learning, honest industry and true religion may ever flourish and abound. We ask all for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen."

After the stone has been properly adjusted and tested by some master builder, the Chancellor shall lay his hands upon it and say:

"In confidence in Almighty God I lay the corner stone of this structure and proclaim that it has been proved square, level, plumb, true and trusty. Amen."

The Registrar will then read the list of the articles deposited in the receptacle of the stone.

5. National Anthem:

God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King:  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious  
Long to reign over us;  
God save the King.

Our loved Dominion bless  
With peace and happiness  
From shore to shore;  
And let our Empire be  
United, loyal, free,  
True to herself and Thee  
For evermore.

6. Benediction.

7. Patriotic Airs by the Band.

